

DEBORAH E. LIPSTADT

Dr. Deborah E. Lipstadt is Dorot Professor of Modern Jewish and Holocaust Studies at Emory University in Atlanta. Her book, *THE EICHMANN TRIAL*, published Schocken/Nextbook Series in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Eichmann trial, was called by *Publisher's Weekly*, "a penetrating and authoritative dissection of a landmark case and its after effects."

The *New York Times Book Review* described Lipstadt as having "done a great service by... recovering the event as a gripping legal drama, as well as a hinge moment in Israel's history and in the world's delayed awakening to the magnitude of the Holocaust." The *Wall Street Journal* described the book as "a thoughtfully researched and clearly written account of the courtroom proceedings and of the debates spurred by the trial."

Her book *HISTORY ON TRIAL: MY DAY IN COURT WITH A HOLOCAUST DENIER* (Ecco/HarperCollins, 2006) is the story of her libel trial in London against David Irving who sued her for calling him a Holocaust denier and right wing extremist. *David Irving v. Penguin/Deborah Lipstadt* was described by the *Daily Telegraph* (London) as having "done for the new century what the Nuremberg tribunals or the Eichmann trial did for earlier generations." *The Times* (London) described it as "history has had its day in court and scored a crushing victory." The judge found David Irving to be a Holocaust denier, a falsifier of history, a racist, and anti-Semite. According to the *New York Times*, the trial "put an end to the pretense that Mr. Irving is anything but a self-promoting apologist for Hitler." In July 2001 the Court of Appeal resoundingly rejected Irving's appeal of the judgment against him.

Her book *DENYING THE HOLOCAUST: THE GROWING ASSAULT ON TRUTH AND MEMORY* (Free Press/Macmillan, 1993) is the first full length study of those who attempt to deny the Holocaust.

At Emory she directs the website known as HDOT [Holocaust Denial on Trial/ www.hdot.org] which contains answers to frequent claims made by deniers. Portions of the site are translated into Arabic, Farsi, Russian, and Turkish. The site is frequently accessed in cities throughout Iran.

Lipstadt was an historical consultant to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, and helped design the section of the Museum dedicated to the American Response to the Holocaust. On April 11, 2011, the 50th anniversary of the start of the Eichmann Trial Dr. Lipstadt gave a public address at the State Department on the impact of the trial.